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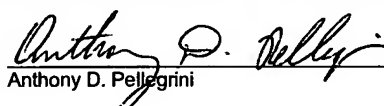
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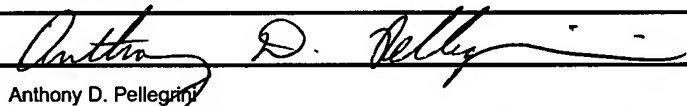
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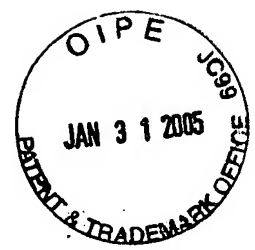
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For: REMOVABLE SEALING DEVICE)	

RESPONSE TO THIRD OFFICE ACTION AND AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action from Lien M. Ngo dated January 10, 2005, Applicant submits herewith a sworn affidavit regarding the date of invention.

In further response to the January 10, 2005 Office Action, please amend the application identified above as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks addressing the Detailed Action set forth in the January 10, 2005 Office Action begin on page 7 of this paper.